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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, PO

SUBJ: NEW CIVIL GOVERNOR IN BRAGA

REF: LISBON 6240

1. AS REPORTED REFTTEL PARA 3, EURICO DA SILVA TEIXEIRA DE MELO WAS SWARN IN OCT 22 AS NEW CIVIL GOVERNOR IN DISTRCIT OF BRAGA.

2. MELO WAS BORN SEPT 27, 1925 IN SANTO TIRSO AND IS LONG-TIME RESIDENT IN GUIMARAES NEARBY BRAGA. HE IS GRADUATE CHEMICAL ENGINEER FROM OPORTO UNIVERSITY WHERE HE WAS ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN ENGINEERING DEPT. MELO IS CURRENTLY PARTNER-MANAGER OF LARGE TEXTILE PLANT "MELO AND GONCALVES" IN GUIMARAES AND IS ALSO SERVING AS ENGINEER CONSULTANT TO UNIVERSITY OF MINHO IN BRAGA. HE IS MARRIED AND A MEMBER OF POPULAR DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PPD).

3. BEGIN CLASSIFIED: MELO IS IDENTIFIED BY LOCAL SOURCES AS A HARD WORKING MEMBER OF ONE OF THE DISTRICT'S LEADING INDUSTRIAL FAMILIES WHO WON AND MANAGE THE TEXTILE CONGLOMERATE "SOMELOS". MELO IS ALSO COUSIN TO FAMILY OF MANUEL GONCALVES WHO WAS RECENTLY PURGED BY LEFTISTS FROM POSITION AS OWNER/MANAGER OF HIS TEXTILE COMPANY. MELO IS MEMBER OF POPULAR DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PPD) BUT WITH CLOSE TIES TO MORE CONSERVATIVE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CENTER PARTY (CDS). IN LOCAL JARGON, MELO IS AN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"ALFA-ROMEO" PPD". BRAGA COMMUNISTS HAVE ALREADY ATTACKED MELO

AS A CAPITALIST WHOSE RECORD IS ANTI-LABOUR. DESPITE SUCH  
CHARGES, MELO HAS SHOWN NO HESITATION IN ASSUMING NEW POSITION.  
HE SCHEDULED HEAVY WORK DAY AS CIVIL GOVERNOR ON OCT 23.

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